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AMERICAN MINE BLOWS UP UNDER "STRAHAN"

Japanese Deserter Bandits

REUTERS' SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT IN SINGAPORE SAYS THE 34TH INDIAN CORPS TROOPS PUSHING ON WITH THE OCCUPATION OF CENTRAL AND EASTERN MALAYA ARE HAVING MANY CLASHES WITH BANDITS.

They have frequently intervened, also, in inter-racial skirmishes between Malays and Chinese.

Japanese deserters are included among the bandits, who are armed with rifles, grenades and light machine-guns.

These gangs have been looting and pillaging and terrorising in many areas off the main roads.

There are considerable numbers of Japanese deserters. They have thrown off their uniforms and some are even married to Chinese girls, apparently hoping to evade capture and live a civilian life.

RACIAL FRICITION

Racial fighting is entirely the product of the Japanese occupation. Despite the mixture of nationalities, all lived relatively peacefully together under British rule, but Japanese policy created racial strife.

The Islam movement started by the Japs with the slogan "Malaya for the Malays," is behind the Sino-Malay fighting which has been going on sporadically ever since the Jap surrender.

The port of Kuantan is at present held by the Malayans people's anti-Japanese army—the local resistance forces—and a meeting was held recently at which a resolution was adopted that their aim was "Government of Malaya, established by and representative of the united races—Malay, Chinese and Indian—and that no outsider should be allowed to dominate the country."—Reuters.

Marines Show 'Em How

"ALI BABA" JACKSON AND HIS "FORTY THIEVES" ARRIVED IN THE COLONY YESTERDAY IN THE VESSEL "SHIRRA BANK" FROM SYDNEY.

Skipper Jackson has had an exciting war career, has been in command of four ships lost through enemy action and has been decorated with the O.B.E. and the Croix de Guerre. His crew have become known as the "Forty Thieves" for no reason better or worse than that they number forty.

"Shirra Bank" brought with her from Sydney a special construction unit of the Royal Marines, who with another contingent yet to arrive, are to undertake the job of restoration and reconstruction of the Royal Naval Dockyard.

Of their efficiency they have already given a noteworthy example. In Sydney, dockyard experts said it was impossible, within a fortnight, to convert the "Shirra Bank" to carry 300 men of the Royal Marines and all the gear for their special job.

So the Royal Marines settled down and carried out the conversion themselves, within a fortnight.

In Hong Kong they are now unloading their own gear, apparently convinced that they do these things better themselves.

MEDITERRANEAN HONOUR

Paris, Sept. 27. — Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham was today decorated by General de Gaulle with the highest French honour, the Grand Cordon of the Legion of Honour, in recognition of his magnificent

AN AMERICAN MAGNETIC MINE, ASSUMED TO HAVE BEEN LAID BY ALLIED AIRCRAFT IN CARRYING OUT THE PROGRAMME OF BLOCKADE OF HONG KONG DURING THE WAR, IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MISHAP TO H.M.A.S. STRAHAN ENGAGED IN AN ANTI-PIRACY PATROL IN THE VICINITY OF CHEUNG CHAU ISLAND ON WEDNESDAY.

HER SKIPPER, LIEUTENANT BURNS, R.N.R., OF SYDNEY, AND HER CREW, ARE STILL CONGRATULATING THEMSELVES ON THE STOUTNESS OF THE CORVETTE. THE FACT THAT THE MINE AND STRAHAN WERE IN 12 FATHOMS OF WATER AND THAT CASUALTIES AND DAMAGE WERE AS LIGHT AS THEY WERE.

The explosion occurred right under her stern, lifted her bodily out of the water, turned the wardroom aft into a shambles, twisted her bulkheads, buckled plates, doused all lights, wrecked the engines and rudder, and yet let the sweeper off with scarcely a leak in her hull.

Eight casualties occurred; but only four were at all serious, the others suffering principally from shock. The worst injuries are a badly damaged ankle and a strained back.

The explosion occurred as the officers were completing breakfast. Food flew off the table, jam was splattered everywhere, the table hit the deck overhead, a case of brandy went with the wind to remain tantalising the nostrils 24 hours after there was a general shambles.

HE SPLUTTERED! Funniest incident occurred when one of the crew cleaning up the mess, found amidst the confusion of broken crockery etc. a set of false teeth. It was not until he

TABLES TURNED!

LONDON, SEPT. 27. — AN "EVENING STANDARD" CARTOON BY DAVID LOW TO-DAY IS ENTITLED "UNREST IN INDIA" AND DEPICTS PRIME MINISTER ATTLEE, SECRETARY FOR INDIA PETHICK-LAWRENCE AND LORD WATTEL ALLE PROCHANGING GANDHI AND JINNAH WHO ARE STANDING SIDE BY SIDE.

Attlee is carrying a poster with the words "How long must we groan under Jinnah, Gandhi and Company?"

The bent figure of Pethick-Lawrence—described as "pathetic"—bears second poster inscribed "Free Britain from Indian yoke!"

Wattel's poster is inscribed: "Cast off Congress Oppression!"—Reuters.

GOLD RISES

Chinese gold has taken the spectacular rise predicted for it a day later, reaching the top-selling quotation of H.K.\$700 per tael, with gold brokers paying 672 dollars.

The closing quotation yesterday showed a drop of \$10 however, with the buyers-sellers margin closing also at the nominal \$10. The Australian pound was cashed at H.K.\$11.50 and could be bought for 60 cents more.

The gold dollar was quoted at H.K.\$8.50, the margin between buyers and sellers being one Hong Kong dollar.

BACK TO STATION

LONDON, SEPT. 27. — The newspapers are carrying details of plans for finding missing airmen for persons who have done well in military service, but one man, Lt. Col. Rowbottom, says he is quite content to resume at the point where he left off.

When he is demobilised in a week's time, he proposes to start again as an ordinary police constable.—Reuters.

U.S. NAVY DAY

Washington, Sept. 26. — The White House said to-day that President Truman will go to New York on October 27 to participate in Navy Day ceremonies and to deliver a 20-minute address. — Associated Press.

President Truman is personally to christen the new 45,000-ton aircraft-carrier, U.S.S. Franklin D. Roosevelt, when she slides off the stocks.—Reuters.

Washington, Sept. 27. — U.S. Ambassador Patrick Hurley arrived to-day from China but

began to make investigation into their ownership, that he suddenly realised they were his own. He had lost them in the blast without knowing anything about it!

Yesterday, tied up alongside H.M.S. Resource awaiting further orders, H.M.A.S. Strahan was already so shipshape that, without close scrutiny, it was difficult to tell how narrowly she had escaped inclusion among the casualties of war.

EMPEROR VISITS MACARTHUR IN TOP HAT

TOKYO'S STREETS WERE CROWDED WITH JAPANESE WHEN EMPEROR HIROHITO, IN THE SECOND OF TWO CARS, VISITED GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR TO-DAY.

THE EMPEROR WORE A DRESS SUIT AND TOP HAT, AND GENERAL MACARTHUR RECEIVED HIM IN KHAKI UNIFORM, WITH OPEN SHIRT AND NO DECORATIONS.

Press correspondents were kept away by sentries during the visit.

There were indications that the Japanese tried to keep the meeting secret, fearing the loss of face in the eyes of the people in the Emperor paying the call instead of receiving it.

The Emperor stayed for roughly half an hour. There is a strong belief that the visit is a preliminary to abdication, and it is rumoured that Hirohito has already indicated such an intention, giving the opportunity for a complete re-drafting of the Japanese Constitution.

"COURTESY" CALL

The call was unprecedented in the history of the Imperial Throne and MacArthur's headquarters did not reveal what was discussed. It had been described beforehand as a purely courtesy call.

Hirohito was accompanied by his Grand Chamberlain, Household Minister and an interpreter. As he neared the Embassy entrance, he tipped his hat to a group of Allied correspondents.

It was the first time Hirohito ever made a call on a foreign

representative although in 1935 he went to the Tokyo railroad station to meet Henry Pu Yi, the puppet emperor of Manchukuo.—Associated Press.

"GRESE RODE UP ON A BICYCLE AND BEFORE THE MOTHER COULD ESCAPE SHE BEAT HER UNTIL SHE BLEED FROM HER CHEST AND HAD TO BE TAKEN AWAY IN AN AMBULANCE," STEIN SAID.

"I have often seen Grese beating people with a riding-whip. If anyone was missing from roll call owing to illness, she left them standing for hours without food whether it was snowing or raining.

Thames Escapade

LONDON, SEPT. 27. — THE "DAILY MAIL" TO-DAY CARRIES A STORY OF A SHIPWRECK THAT NEARLY OCCURRED WITHIN A MILE OF CHARING CROSS STATION.

Cause of the trouble were four barges torn from their moorings by an unusually forceful tide and carried upriver with no-one on board.

One of them struck a steamer near London Bridge without, however, doing serious damage. Two of the barges were ultimately "arrested" by the river police and tied up at Battersea.—Reuters.

GAS ON TAP

LONDON, SEPT. 27. — A most unusual scheme is announced by a Yorkshire borough council. Council houses are to be provided with gas, as they are provided with water. The taps will be turned on and each resident can use as much gas as he or she wishes. The total cost of the gas will be divided equally between the residents on each street, and the council will be responsible for the gas bills.—Reuters.

Further arrests on this order of President Farrell being the total persons detained, well-known Conservatives and Intellectuals, to one hundred and fifty.

President Farrell declared that the arrests were a temporary measure, required by the recent demonstrations and agitation. He said that the arrests were a

SPEEDING UP HOUSING

London, Sept. 27. — Mr. Aneurin Bevan is embarking on a tour of the country to see for himself what progress in housing reconstruction is being made and what stimulus is needed. He arrived in Birmingham to-day and is going to Manchester to-morrow.—Reuters.

Bombay Riots

BOMBAY, SEPT. 27. — ELEVEN WERE KILLED AND THIRTY INJURED LAST NIGHT IN COMMUNAL RIOTING APPARENTLY ARISING OUT OF POLITICAL DISPUTES BETWEEN HINDUS AND MUSLIMS.

In consequence of the tension, an order has been issued banning street assemblies of more than five persons, and warning that curfew will be imposed if there is further disorder.

The only incident to-day was a minor stoning affair.—Reuters.

Corroboration Piles Up At Luneberg

LUENEURG, SEPT. 27. — MORE STORIES OF THE BRUTALITY OF JOSEF KRAMER AND HIS CHIEF WOMAN ASSOCIATE AT AUSCHWITZ AND BELSEN, IRMA GRESE, WERE TOLD ON THE NINTH DAY OF THE BELSEN TRIAL HERE YESTERDAY WHEN THE 21-YEAR-OLD HUNGARIAN-JEWESS, ILONA STEIN, DESCRIBED AN INCIDENT AT AUSCHWITZ WHEN GRESE SAW A WOMAN SPEAKING TO HER DAUGHTER IN A NEIGHBOURING COMPOUND.

"It was on Grese's orders that all sick people attended—even if they died on our hands. If they could not come they were sent away to the crematorium."

Speaking of the gas chamber, Stein said: "At one selection I saw that they lifted the clothes of the prisoners and looked at their legs."

"We were usually undressed until we were completely naked. Kramer and Grese then made the selections."

Stein said that at Auschwitz the only water the internees were allowed was that found in pools on the road and even that had to be obtained by influence and it was considered a real treat.—Reuters.

Bulgarian Politics

Sofia, Sept. 27. — Anton Yugos, youthful Bulgarian Minister of Interior, whom the Opposition seeks to oust in favour of a non-Communist, said on Wednesday: "Bulgaria is a country of 'absolute order, tranquillity and security and every day precautions are being taken for supporting and improving the order."

In an interview in his luxurious office, the 42-year-old leader said the opposition attacks upon him actually are "against the Fatherland" front and its democratic interior policy."

Opposition Leader, Nikola Petrov, said that unless the Fatherland Front opened the Interior Ministry to a non-Communist the opposition would not participate in the forthcoming election. Yugos has been a Communist worker since he was fifteen.—Associated Press.

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Dominions Demand A Share In Making Of The Peace

Future Of Italian Colonies

WASHINGTON, SEPT. 27. — DIPLOMATIC SOURCES REPORTED TO-DAY THAT THE UNITED STATES POLICY ON THE FUTURE OF ITALIAN COLONIES NOW CALLED FOR A 10-YEAR TRUSTEESHIP, AFTER WHICH THE COLONIES, SUCH AS LIBYA AND ERITREA, WOULD BE GIVEN INDEPENDENT STATUS.

These sources expected the official American policy would become known some time next week.

This was indicated by Under-Secretary of State Acheson's refusal to discuss the Italian question at his news conference on Wednesday, pending the return from London of Secretary of State Byrnes.

Before the London conference began, it was generally understood that the United States wanted unilateral trusteeships for the Italian colonies under Italian management.

During the conference, however, it has been reported that the United States has changed its view and urged that the colonies be placed under collective United Nations trusteeship, leaving the question of Italian representation unanswered.—Associated Press.

I. L. P. PROTEST

LONDON, SEPT. 27. — MR. FENNER BROOKWAY, POLITICAL SECRETARY OF THE INDEPENDENT LABOUR PARTY, IN A LETTER TO THE PRIME MINISTER, MR. CLEMENT ATTLEE, PROTESTS AGAINST THE MEASURES TO RESTORE THE FRENCH AND NETHERLANDS ADMINISTRATIONS IN THE EAST.

The effect of these actions, he says, will suggest to Eastern peoples that Great Britain and the Allies are opposed to their democratic national liberation and that the policy of the British Labour Government is no different from that of its Imperialist predecessors.

The "effect," adds Brookway, "will be particularly bad in India. We hope that an unequivocal statement will immediately be made indicating that Government recognises the rights of Eastern peoples to democratic freedom and independence and that as an example, Government will remove all military and police forces from India, understanding that the right of India to independence is accepted."—Reuters.

NEW AIR ARM MACHINE

LONDON, SEPT. 27. — Details have just been released of another new British plane, the Firebrand, which will soon be in large production for the Fleet Air Arm.

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LONDON, SEPT. 27. — THE SOUTH AFRICAN AND AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENTS HAVE PROTESTED IN IDENTICAL TERMS AGAINST THE PROCEDURE ADOPTED AT THE COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS.

THEY DECLARE THAT EITHER ACTIVE BELLIGERENTS SHOULD PARTICIPATE ON AN EQUAL FOOTING WITH THE BIG FIVE, OR THAT IT BE DEFINITELY LAID DOWN THAT THE DECISIONS REACHED ON PEACE SETTLEMENTS BE SUBMITTED TO FURTHER CONFERENCE IN WHICH ALL COUNTRIES WHOSE ARMED FORCES FOUGHT AGAINST THE AXIS WOULD TAKE PART.

In the latter event, it should be agreed that the draft terms of the proposed settlement should be open to full and free discussion and amendment.

The joint statement containing the protest points out that the present limited membership of the Council was only improvised to meet war needs.

"So exclusive a procedure however cannot safely be followed in the peace settlement when other nations have played an important part in the victory and will no doubt be expected to maintain and enforce the peace settlements."

BRITISH SYMPATHY

It is understood that the Canadian and New Zealand Governments hold similar views. Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent says that the British Government's attitude is wholly sympathetic, and, though a decision to call in other Powers is not for Britain alone, everything possible will be done to ensure that interested countries, especially the Dominions and India, shall have ample opportunity for full discussions.—Reuters.

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ROAD TO RUIN

WASHINGTON, SEPT. 27. — PRESIDENT TRUMAN WARNED TO-DAY THAT ANY TENDENCY TO ISOLATIONISM IN THE UNITED STATES WOULD PUT THE COUNTRY ON THE ROAD TO RUIN.

He also said that the disposition of the Japanese fleet would be decided by an Allied Reparations Committee, as in the case of Germany's naval force. This opens the way for the other major Allied Powers to claim shares.

The President told a news conference that allied governments had agreed on the basic plans for the occupation of Japan under General MacArthur. He said other Allied Powers could offer their views on Japan through the American joint Chiefs of Staff or their representatives at MacArthur's headquarters.

He said no proposal for Allied Council control in Japan had been received. — Associated Press.

LEEDS STRIKE

Leeds would have been a busy to-day but for the fact that Varsity students and soldiers have turned out to maintain skeleton service. The busmen cleared a strike because some of the drivers refused to let the

Major J. Durran, Lt. R. Bryden, Lt. R. G. Goss, Lt. R. Cooper and Capt. A. S. Smith

Peace Of All The Nations

LONDON, SEPT. 27. — DR. HERBERT V. EVATT, THE AUSTRALIAN MINISTER, CALLED TO-DAY FOR A PEACE CONFERENCE OF ALL THE NATIONS THAT FOUGHT THE WAR TO MAKE FINAL SETTLEMENTS "AS NEAR AS POSSIBLE TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD AND WITH THEIR KNOWLEDGE."

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"This meeting should be what the Dumbarton Oaks conference was to the San Francisco conference," he asserted.

At Dumbarton Oaks, the Big Four (France was not then a member) wrote the document that was the basis for the discussions at the San Francisco United Nations conference.

However, at the meeting of the 50 nations, each was allowed to add its views to the major Powers' plans.—Associated Press.

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LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

POST OFFICE
NOTICE

On Friday, 28th September, 1945, the present free local postal service will be discontinued, and all letters and postcards posted after 10 a.m. on that date must be properly stamped in accordance with the rates set out below.

Deliveries will be at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. to the following districts only: Central District, Wanhsai, Sai Ying Pui, Shau Ki Wan, Tsai Shai Tsui, Yauwatt, Shamshui, Kowloon, Tsim Sha Tsui, Mongkok and Hung Hom.

Mail should be posted at the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office only.

Rates for local postage will, as from 28th September, 1945, be as follows:

Letters: 5 cents for each ounce or part of an ounce.

The limit of weight is 4 lbs. The limit of size is:

Two feet in length, 18 inches in width and 18 inches in depth, or if made up in a form of a roll, 3 feet 3 inches for the length and twice the diameter combined, and 2 feet 3 inches for the greatest dimension.

Postcards: 2 cents.

No card may exceed 5 7/8 inches in length by 4 1/8 inches in width or be less than 4 inches in length by 2 3/4 inches in width.

The material for private cards to be used as postcards must be ordinary cardboard or paper not less than one hundredth of an inch thick, and not more flexible than the postcards issued and sold by the Post Office.

The General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open to the public for the sale of stamps from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily as from 28th September, 1945.

Members of the public are reminded that there is as yet no postal service to any destination outside the Colony, and no mail addressed to such destination can at present be accepted.

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All persons who have recently posted mail addressed to Macao are requested to call at the General Post Office between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Friday, 28th September, 1945.

A further notice regarding mail to Macao generally will be issued shortly.

J. B. H. LEE,

Acting Postmaster-General.

September 26th, 1945.

NOTICE

The following Mail is lying unclaimed at the Offices of the International Red Cross (Exchange Building, 2nd floor):

AMY, Mrs. Ethel
ASKHAM, G.W.
BLANK, Dr. Joseph
CARR, G.W.
CHAMBERS, Susan St. Leger
CROFT, Mrs. A.R.
ECHOLS, Mr. Edward
ELLAM, J.G.
DREWERY, Mrs. J.
FLANAGAN, Mrs. Dorothea
Woulfe
GILMOUR, Mr. G.J.
HORNSEY, St. Petty Officer
W.M.
HUTCHINSON, Miss
Dorothy
KELLEY, Ernest J.
MACBETH, Doctor R.I.
MACGREGOR, Mrs. David
MAGEEN, Rev. Daniel
MCDONALD, Mrs. J.
MCGRATH, C.F.
PATEL, Mrs. Jal N.
PESTER, Ldg. Writer V.A.
(H.M.S. Peter)
PILARES, Miss Josephine
ROBB, D.S.
SAMUEL, The Hon. Philip
SPEIGHT, William
TURNER, Mrs. B.
WARE, Dr. T.W.
WINSON, Miss or Mrs. Ann
(Long Foon)
WU, Miss Beryl
YOUNG, Mr. Len

Hongkong, 24th September, 1945.

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LINSTEAD & DAVIS,

Chartered Accountants.

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THE CUSTODIAN PRO-
CLAMATION No. 10 OF 1945
TRADING WITH THE ENEMY
ORDINANCE 1914
ENEMY PROPERTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under the above mentioned Proclamation, I, REGINALD ANDREW WICKERSON, Acting Custodian of Property hereby require as follows:

1. Every person who has under his control or management any property in Hong Kong, Kowloon or the New Territories, real or personal (including any rights whether legal or equitable in or arising out of property real or personal) belonging to or in which the Japanese Naval Military or Civil Authorities or any Japanese, Formosan (Taiwanese), Korean or other Japanese National, firm or corporation now has or at any time since the 25th December, 1941, had any interest whatsoever shall furnish full particulars to me in writing at my office at 2nd Floor, Mercantile Bank Building, Queen's Road, Hong Kong, the particulars specified in the SCHEDULE hereto, together with a list of the documents of title (if any) and/or how ownership, is claimed or possession derived.

2. Every Company incorporated in the Colony and every company which, though not incorporated in the Colony, has a share registration office in the Colony shall, by notice in writing, communicate to me at my office aforesaid, full particulars of all shares, stock, debentures and debenture stock and other obligations of the Company which are held by or for the benefit of an enemy, and every partner of every firm, one or more partners of which are enemies or to which money had been lent for the purpose of the business of the firm by an enemy, shall by notice in writing communicate to me at my said office full particulars as to any share in profits and interest due to such enemies or enemy.

3. AND FURTHER any person who has knowledge of the whereabouts in Hong Kong, Kowloon or the New Territories of any goods merchandise or other property whatsoever of any Japanese Naval Military or Civil Authority, Japanese, Formosan (Taiwanese), or Korean or other Japanese national, firm or corporation should give notice thereof to me in writing at the said office.

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that while there is no desire or intention to seize any goods property or merchandise legitimately owned by United Nations or neutral subjects or citizens, and full opportunity will be given to prove non-enemy ownership, any person who fails to make the returns called for by this notice is liable to the penalties provided for by the aforementioned Proclamation and Ordinance.

R. A. WICKERSON,
Acting CUSTODIAN OF
PROPERTY.

Hong Kong, 21st September, 1945.

The schedule referred to above is divided into five columns—1. Declarant, Name, Address Tel. No. 2. Location of property declared. 3. Full description property and approx. value. 4. Name and present address of enemy owner. 5. Person with whom arrangements for inspection can be made.

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DELEGATION OF POWERS
(AMENDMENT)
PROCLAMATION No. 1
Regulation No. 1

In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by Article 3 of the above mentioned Proclamation, I, DAVID MIERGER MACDOUGALL, Brigadier, Chief Civil Affairs Officer, hereby make the following regulations:

PRICE CONTROL

1. No person shall save under and in accordance with a permit of Colonel (C.A.) Supplies Transport and Industry or a person delegated by him (hereinafter referred to as "the competent authority") sell any commodity specified in the Schedule hereto at a price in excess of that specified opposite such commodity in the said Schedule.

2. The competent Authority may by notice in Hong Kong (British Military Administration) Gazette delete add to or vary any commodity in the Schedule or may substitute a new Schedule for any Schedule from time to time in force.

3. No commodity specified in the Schedule hereto shall be sold unless there is displayed in a prominent position adjacent to the commodity the selling price of such commodity and the quality or kind offered for sale.

4. Any person contravening the provisions of this regulation shall upon conviction of the Standing Military Court be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 5 years or to a fine or to both such imprisonment and such fine.

SCHEDULE

Commodity	Maximum Retail price per catty
Flour, milled from local Wheat (1st quality) — H.K. \$2.90	
Flour, milled from local Wheat (2nd quality) —	1.90
Peanut Oil (1st quality) —	4.00
Peanut Oil (2nd quality) —	3.80
Sugar, White (granulated) —	0.25
Sugar, Yellow —	2.50
Sugar, Black —	1.40
Bread —	2.15
	4.00 per lb.

Given under my hand at Hong Kong this 25th day of September, 1945.

D. M. MACDOUGALL,

Brigadier,

Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

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1. The attention of the public is called to Regulation No. 1 (Price Control) issued under the Delegation of Powers Amendment Proclamation, whereby it is forbidden to sell certain commodities at prices in excess of those specified.

2. The public are reminded that although no provision for forfeiture is made in the regulation itself this power is given to the Standing Military Court by Article 12 of the Military Court Proclamation (Proclamation No. 9).

3. All measures of price control, however, depend for their success upon public co-operation and it is hoped that members of the public will call the attention of Colonel (C.A.) Supplies, Transport and Industry and the Police to any infringement of the regulation or other subsequent measures to enforce price control.

4. Careful consideration is being given to the question of prices but it has been felt that at the present time a start should be made with certain essential commodities.

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PROBLEM CHILDREN

Now that Haile Selassie has said his little piece, surely the farce has played itself out. Or can there be another twopenny-happy kingdom or another group of ardent native nationalists in some remote part of the globe we have not yet heard of, who have failed to put in their claim to a place in the front rank in the Battle of the Pence? What Soviet Russia thinks of it all, she has not yet said. It is fair to assume, however, that if M. Molotov maintains his best recent form, her contribution will not be distinguished by its helpfulness.

For London and Washington, however, it must be a heavy tax upon patience, with Foreign Office and State Department officials rather beginning to wonder whether the staging of another war somewhere might not produce a quieter life. With problems like Germany and Japan to deal with, we don't find it difficult, when we get down to it, to turn out our Eisenhowers and Montgomerys, MacArthurs and Mountbattens, Cunnings and Nimitzes, to solve them in a straight honest-to-goodness fashion, which settles them for a long time.

This sudden flood of nationalistic aspiration, as the termination of a grim struggle aiming, at least in liberal minds, at an era of democratic internationalism, just complicates efforts to solve the real problems of to-day, and harnesses minds which should be free of trivialities at a moment of crisis in world history. A good deal of the outcry and agitation has justice in it. All that is objectionable is that it comes at the wrong time. The general picture presented is not of down-trodden peoples rising to insist on their due. But of a horde of jackals snarling for their bite out of the carcass.

In most cases, the issues at stake are assured of sympathetic study in the months to come, whether forcibly thrust before world attention or not. Elsewhere, notably the Arab areas, we are merely invited to acquiesce in an obstructive nationalism which would help nobody. That, however, is not the point. The important and disturbing thing is that the air is being cluttered with embarrassing irrelevances at a time when all energies are essential for the bigger tasks, in terms of human welfare.

BEST WISHES

A reply from the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been received in Hong Kong to the Hon. Mr. F. C. Gimson's telegram of the 18th August.

The telegram states: "His Majesty highly appreciates your message and commands me to convey to yourself and to the other Executive and Legislative Councils my sincere congratulations on the liberation of Hong Kong and his best wishes on the return of peace and prosperity in Hong Kong."

MESSAGES

Mails and cables are waiting at Volunteer Headquarters for: Capt. W. G. Clark, Maj. E. Cock, Lt. A. W. Skirrow, S. H. Ismail, F. A. Reed, Cpl. R. Morrison, Capt. A. Penn, F. H. Irving, J. J. Patterson, J. W. Anderson, Maj. S. Jarvis, Lt. W. Stoker, Sgt. G. W. L. Crawford, Maj. H. G. Williams, M. Egal, Sgt. B. W. Simmons, Cpl. A. G. Sullivan, D. C. Loneraine, Lt. G. A. White, G. A. Good-ben, Lt. B. S. Carter, H. W. Crabbe, Gnr. E. Lloyd-Jones, G. E. L. Johnson, J. N. Brown, John Bruce, Pte. N. J. Wolley, 2nd Lt. A. M. J. Wright, Maj. V. C. Branson, H. S. McKay, H. R. Stewart, S. O. Hill, Lt. E. L. Cunha and Miss M. Maxwell.

Washington, Sept. 27. — The Senate passed and sent to the House to-day a measure to authorize the use of 50,000 Filipino scouts in the Japanese occupation forces. They would be drawn from the impressive Philippine army which was organized during and since the islands' liberation. — Associated Press.

Postage stamp problems in Hong Kong will be eased by the arrival here soon of Hong Kong postal issues of denominated from four cents to one dollar that were on their way to the Colony just before the Japanese attack and were held up in Australia and South Africa.

Trivialities Bog
Down Big Five

LONDON, SEPT. 27.
FRENCH PROBLEMS—TREATMENT OF HER NATIONAL-
ALS AND DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY STOLEN BY
THE GERMANS—OCCUPIED THE COUNCIL OF
FOREIGN MINISTERS ON WEDNESDAY WITH THE
RUSSIAN FOREIGN COMMISSAR REPORTEDLY OB-
JECTING BITTERLY TO A COUNCIL COMMUNIQUE
REFERENCE TO THE FORMER.

M. MOLOTOV OBJECTED, CONFERENCE SOURCES SAID,
TO THE REFERENCE IN LAST NIGHT'S COMMUNI-
QUE ABOUT REPARATION OF FRENCH NATIONAL-
ALS IN SOVIET HANDS, CONTENDING THE
PHRASEOLOGY SUGGESTED THE RUSSIANS HAD
CAPTURED THE FRENCH ILLGALLY.

Stanley
Shrinks

(From Our Own Correspondent)

STANLEY, SEPT. 27.
STANLEY INTERMENT
CAMP IS SHRINKING HEAVI-
LY. EACH DAY NUMBERS OF
FAMILIAR FIGURES DISAP-
PEAR WITH THEIR LUGGAGE
THROUGH THE GATE TO RE-
TURN NO MORE.

Not only do they leave en masse, as for instance, the cherry group who left to go on board H.M.S. Indomitable to-day, but those who have resumed their former work or who have decided to "wait awhile" in Hong Kong. Amongst the former is Mr. John Stericker, who, instead of taking a well-earned vacation, has now left the Camp to join his old firm, the B.A. Co. of the Company's factory in Kowloon.

This factory was worked by the Japanese until their surrender and apparently they laid great importance on its protection from possible air-raids. All the walls were exceptionally strongly reinforced and all doorways well-protected. The factory was fortunately never hit though this was said of the Nanyang Bros. factory which was gutted. Mr. Stericker, whose work in the Camp has been at times arduous and at all times heavy, has had the unique record of not missing a single Council meeting.

To turn to a more trivial but nevertheless important subject of food, great utilization was evinced yesterday when the greater number of those still living in the Camp dined on Sausage and Mash! This dish was one of those dreamed of for over three years and last night the dream came true!

FIRST U.S.
SHIP INTO
SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Sept. 27. — The 10,000-ton freighter "American Victory" arrived to-day as the first United States ship into Shanghai. It began unloading trucks and high test gasoline.

The ship was in a convoy that left the United States five months ago to participate in the scheduled landing on the China coast.

The dispatch is believed to be the first to confirm definitely that a landing on the China coast was included in the plans for the final all-out assault against the Japanese home islands. — Associated Press.

MacArthur
Plaque

Tokyo, Sept. 26. — Mrs. Douglas MacArthur yesterday unveiled a plaque in the general's honour at the U.S. Army's 42nd general field hospital, which opens officially to-day.

The plaque carries MacArthur's likeness and the emblems of the Eighth Army and the First Cavalry Division.

The horseless Cavalry Division, part of the Eighth Army, was first to enter Tokyo, as it had been the first to enter Manila to free Santo Tomas internees.

Mrs. MacArthur also presented the hospital with the battle-worn flag which the Japanese seized in Manila upon their entry on January 1, 1942. The dismounted cavalrymen recovered it during their recapture of the Manila Hotel. The hospital, formerly St. Luke's international medical centre, was built in the 30's primarily with American funds. — Associated Press.

RICE ARRIVES

15,000 bags of rice and other foodstuffs arrived in the Colony yesterday by m.v. "Man Woo" from Macao.

Travelling by the same vessel were a number of former Government employees, civilians and third nationals, numbering over 100 in all.

OUTING FOR SCOUTERS.
All scouts of Hong Kong and Kowloon Groups are invited to an outing to 9 1/2-mile Beach, on Sunday. Matters of scouting interest will be discussed. Deep Sea Rovers from ships in port are also coming. Meet at Star Ferry, Kowloon at 1:30 p.m. For further details, phone 3102 or 20304.

NOTICE

We have acquired temporary accommodation on the 4th floor of the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Building, c/o Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master.

All enquiries should be made to that address, or, by telephone, to I. E. Roberts, Tel. 92561.

THOMSON & Co.,

Chartered Accountants.

BRITISH MILITARY
ADMINISTRATION
HONG KONG
MILITARY COURTS
PROCLAMATION No. 8
ARTICLE 6

1. DAVID MIERGER MACDOUGALL, Brigadier, Chief Civil Affairs Officer, hereby appoints:—
LEO D'ALMADA E CASTRO to be Vice-President and
FERDINAND GERALD NIGEL, Lieut., H.K.V.D.C.
and
KWAN CHO YIU
to be Members of the Standing Military Court
ARTICLE 8

and I, hereby authorise each of them to sit alone
LEO D'ALMADA E CASTRO and
FERDINAND GERALD NIGEL to hold a Summary Military Court Class I, sitting alone and the said
KWAN CHO YIU
to hold a Summary Military Court Class II, sitting alone.

D. M. MACDOUGALL,
Brigadier,
Chief Civil Affairs Officer.
23rd September, 1945.

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Our Branch Office has opened temporary premises at Stock Exchange Building (2nd Floor—Room 24), and we shall be obliged if all prospective clients will communicate enquiries to that address during the present emergency period where they will be promptly handled and communicated to our executive who is now proceeding to London to ascertain full details and specifications with prices of latest models in all lines of our products:—

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NOTICE

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

1. The attention of all registered medical practitioners in Hong Kong is drawn to the provisions of the Quarantine and Prevention of Disease Ordinance, No. 7 of 1936.

2. (a) The following infectious diseases must be notified as soon as they come to the notice of the registered medical practitioners:—plague, cholera, smallpox, yellow fever, typhus, cerebrospinal meningitis, measles, chicken-pox, diphtheria, puerperal fever, scarlet fever, tuberculosis, rabies, dysentery, and enteritis.

(b) In addition, the notification of cases of malaria is invited.

3. Every registered medical practitioner (other than a Government officer) is entitled to receive the sum of one dollar for each such notification on application to the Secretary, Medical Department, Hong Kong Shanghai Bank, First Floor.

4. Copies of the forms for notification are obtainable from the Secretary, Medical Department.

5. The penalty on conviction for failure to notify cases of the diseases named in paragraph 2(a) supra is a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars.

P. S. Selwyn-Clarke,

DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL & SANITARY SERVICES.

26th September, 1945.

NOTICE

HARBOUR OFFICE

Cmdr. A. S. D. Rydon, R.N. (Retd.) assumed duty as Harbour Master with effect from 20th September, 1945.

Lt. Cmdr. J. H. Davis, R.N.R. assumed duty as Deputy Harbour Master with effect from 22nd September, 1945.

Catholic
Nazis

VATICAN CITY, SEPT. 27.

THE VATICAN NEWSPAPER "OSSERVATORE ROMANO" TO-DAY PUBLISHED EXCERPTS OF A JOINT PASTORAL LETTER ISSUED BY GERMAN BISHOPS, STATING THAT MANY GERMAN CATHOLICS WERE GUILTY OF NAZI CRIMES, AND DECLARED THAT GERMAN BISHOPS WERE WORKING TO HELP DISTINGUISH THE GUILTY FROM THE INNOCENT.

The letter signed by five archbishops, 15 bishops and auxiliary bishops asserted that some Catholics aided the persecuted Jews and praised their "courageous" fidelity to the church despite the dangers.

The letter said that in Germany and the occupied countries many horrible things were done by the Germans and that many "even belonging to our group were seduced by false doctrines of National Socialism and became insensible in the face of violations of liberty and human dignity."

The letter added that justice requires that responsibility in each case be weighed so that the innocent do not suffer with the guilty. — Associated Press.

HUGE SUM SUBSCRIBED

Chungking, Sept. 27.

Breaking all previous records in the campaign for contributions to the comfort fund for China's fighting forces, a total of 200,000,000 C.N. dollars was collected

BLUNT SPEAKING BY CITRINE

CORRESPONDENCE

PRIORITIES

SIR—An the Hong Kong Government, I presume, will soon be able to function at full swing and large numbers of the former civil servants (I am referring only to those so-called "third nationals" during the Jap occupation) of Hong Kong i.e. Chinese, Portuguese and Eurasians etc. who had not been interned, will be re-employed in staff the different departments and essential services. I venture to suggest that an Investigation Committee should be set up to examine closely their past conduct during the Jap occupation period before any employment, so that any "pet dogs" will be barred from holding any high or responsible positions in the new government. The following may serve as a guide to determine the priority list in the re-employment scheme.

(A) Those who left Hong Kong for Free China or Macao after Jap occupation. This group, in general, deserve our admiration and appreciation. In referring to become "servile citizens" under the Jap regime, they chose to abandon their homes in the Colony, thus incurring large sacrifices, to go to places where they were ready to have all sorts of unforeseen difficulties and uncertainty. Having survived all these, they therefore deserve some reward and recognition. These men can again be divided into the following 2 categories.

(1) Among this group, many (especially those who left for Free China) have found opportunities to serve the Allied Cause, thus contributing their share to bring about the final defeat of the enemy. In most cases they had proved able, trustworthy, efficient and satisfactory to the British, American or Chinese organizations in which they served. (This group includes Mr. D. J. Sloss, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hong Kong mentioning the fact that University students who left Hong Kong after the Jap occupation had by their academic knowledge, ability and efficiency, won fame for their alma mater throughout South China.) Above all, they have, instead of rotting and getting stale in the Colony, gained lots of valuable experiences and have always been able to keep up with the real trend of world events. These men, we strongly recommend, should deserve higher and more responsible positions in the New Government. As a further reward, it might not be unreasonable to suggest that the authorities should give them a subsidy or other facilities to help them to organize new homes to replace those which they had sacrificed, other than recommending them to special promotions, etc.

(2) Those who have not served the Allied Cause, but have set up business, etc. in Free China or Macao to maintain their livelihood. These men, to a greater or less degree, also deserve our praise in that they had taken up the encouragement of the former Hong Kong Government to leave the Colony. (It is a fact that the British Embassy in Chungking had, after the fall of Hong Kong, opened Refugee Relief Departments in different places in Free China such as Waichow, Kungong and Kwelin to help Hong Kong refugees in general, and, in particular, to handle back pay and pensions of former Hong Kong civil servants who had reached Free China and to help them to find employment). The New Government, we dare say, should take back these men unreservedly.

(B) Those who throughout the Jap occupation, with the exception of those who had participated in 5th column movements or other activities for the Allied Cause in Hong Kong, this group are in one way or other disappointing. They have not got the "guts" and confidence to leave the Colony and find their living in Macao or Free China and they have failed to attempt to contact the former Hong Kong Government representatives in Free China or Macao. In staying behind and paying taxes, etc. to the Japs they are either directly or indirectly helping the Jap war efforts, and can therefore be called "collaborationists" to a greater or less degree. Added to this, they must have been rather backward in the sense that they had most probably not been able to keep in step with the real trend of world events and also had possibly been influenced or hoodwinked by Jap propaganda during these years of occupation. All this, no doubt, tends to render them less fit mentally to carry on their old work—not to any of the strenuous tasks of reconstructing a new Hong Kong. Also they are liable to be physically fatigued and less energetic after these years of Jap oppression, and, if they have anywhere to go, should say they too, need to "go and get fit." This group can also be divided into:

(1) Those who have not worked for the Japs. If they prove to be physically and mentally fit, I don't think they should be prejudiced against retaining their old jobs.

(2) Those who have worked for the Japs merely for a living and who have not helped or collaborated with the Japs to commit any war crimes or offences against humanity. These men ought to receive a certain amount of sympathetic consideration.

(3) Those who have contributed directly to the Jap war efforts and those who have helped, or

Politics--Or
British--Out

PARIS, SEPT. 26. SIR WALTER CITRINE, HEAD OF THE BRITISH DELEGATION TO THE WORLD'S TRADES UNION CONGRESS YESTERDAY THREATENED TO WITHDRAW BRITISH TRADES UNIONS FROM THE WORLD TRADE UNION FEDERATION NOW BEING SET UP.

IN BLUNT LANGUAGE HE TOLD THE DELEGATES FROM 59 COUNTRIES GATHERED IN THE VAST PALAIS DE CHAILLOT THAT "THE BRITISH TRADES UNIONS' ACCEPTANCE OF THE CONSTITUTION EMANATING FROM THE CONFERENCE DEPENDS ON THE SATISFACTORY OUTCOME OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE SECRETARIATS." REPORTS REUTER'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT, PAUL SCOTT RANKINE.

"We, in the British Trade Union Congress, cannot be bludgeoned by a majority vote into acceptance.

"An international organization must be built with strength.

"The British Trade Union Congress has no intention of deserting the staff of the old International Federation of Trades Unions and the International Trade Secretariats. These organizations are ready to liquidate themselves on proper conditions."

BONA FIDE

Sir Walter Citrine also said that a Trade Union International must be composed of bona fide trade unions, referring apparently, to some of the trade union congresses in Central and Eastern Europe. He said that it was very curious how after all the devastation and dislocation, caused by the war, trade unions had sprung Phoenix-like from ashes with hundreds and thousands of members, when before their membership was numbered in hundreds.

Sir Walter said that the Trade Union International must not get into politics. If it did it would perish because it would be split.

PARIS NOT SUITABLE

Another point made by Sir Walter was that Paris was not suitable as headquarters for the new organization owing to the high cost of living and currency difficulties. He suggested another temporary headquarters until things became normal.

Replying to Sir Walter Citrine, the Latin America delegate, Mr. Vincente Toldano, who presided at yesterday's session, said, "We don't want a political trade union federation but the federation must be powerful, young and enthusiastic."

He appended to the conference not to quibble over trivialities and added that "if we do not succeed in setting up an international organization of trade unions, all the sacrifices of the war will have been wasted. The experiences of the last 30 years show that if workers do not unite they are doomed." Reuter.

INDIA OFFERS AN AMENDMENT

LONDON, SEPT. 27. THE INDIAN FEDERATION OF LABOUR MADE A BID BEFORE THE WORLD TRADES UNION CONGRESS TO-DAY TO ELIMINATE RACIAL BIAS AND MILITANT NATIONALISM IN AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROPOSED NEW WORLD ORGANISATION.

A statement, issued with the amendment, told the delegates from the 59 nations gathered in the vast Palais de Chaillot that nationalism was incompatible with the political objectives of the new organization.

Giving warning about certain conditions in India resulting from the war, the Federation stated that there had sprung up a "powerful" section of Indian nationalism, which aspires to develop India's industrial potential on the basis of cheap raw material and cheap labour.

FEUDAL CAPITALISM

"The objects of these elements are: first, the development of heavy industries with State financing of private enterprises, and second, the expansion of the export trade in consumer goods with a State subsidy for capturing markets released from Japan. The regimentation of national economy on the basis of autarky and low cost of production is the third object."

"In other words militant Indian nationalism of the upper classes is bidding to industrialise India on the basis of feudal capitalism in much the same way as Japan."

collaborated with the Japs to commit war crimes, etc., such as men who had worked in the Jap secret services; and the Jap gen. darmerie. These men, we should recommend, ought to be strictly investigated into, and if found guilty, severely punished as they deserve.

Fairplay.

Education
By Films

CHUNGKING, SEPT. 27. SIXTEEN MILLIMETER ENTERTAINMENT AND EDUCATIONAL FILMS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED IN CHINA IN THE NEAR FUTURE, ACCORDING TO THE CENTRAL NEWS AGENCY, QUOTING RELIABLE SOURCES WHICH SAY HOLLYWOOD COMPANIES ARE PLANNING A VAST DISTRIBUTION SET-UP IN CHINA.

The Hollywood interests will seek cooperation of the Ministries of Education and Information in bringing a new milestone in the history of film entertainment in China.

Small mobile film units will be used for release of latest Hollywood productions in schools, hospitals, factories and public places. The films will be released in native dialects, it was reported, or with super-imposed titles.

It is understood here the United States State Department and other government organizations in Washington are deeply interested in the advantages presented by these miniature films. These small portable film units have been used extensively in showing films to American troops, and are being used now for prisoners of war and released internees.

The miniature sets are self-contained, with their own power units. Associated Press.

HOME FROM H.K.
VIA CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, SEPT. 26. SIXTEEN AMERICAN MERCHANT SEAMEN AND TWO U.S. NAVY MEN WHO RECENTLY FLEW FROM HONG KONG BY A COMBAT CARGO PLANE ARE STARTING ON THE HOMEWARD LAP OF AN ODYSSEY THAT STARTED IN SAN FRANCISCO IN 1941 AND BROUGHT THREE AND A HALF YEARS OF INTERMENT AT THE SHAMSHUIPO CAMP IN KOWLOON.

THEY WERE ELATED TO BE STARTING HOMEWARD. THE 16 WERE FROM THE MERCHANT SHIP AD. MIRAL Y. S. WILLIAMS. THEY STILL ARE THIN FROM THE ORDEALS OF INTERMENT.

They said they got some of their greatest satisfaction out of watching American planes bomb Japanese installations around Hong Kong. When they saw the dockyards and supply depots go up in smoke and debris, they said, they hoped for the day when they would meet the men who blasted the Japanese.

They were caught by the Japanese at Hong Kong while shipping with a cargo of nitrates and gasoline.

They told of working on military projects while food was an ever-present problem. Ironically, they help lengthen the Kai Tak aerodrome from which they took off on the first lap of their flight homeward.

They said that, without provocation, the guards and gendarmes administered beatings, and prisoners' pay of 10 sen daily wasn't enough to buy 10 low quality Japanese cigarettes. They resorted to smoking tea leaves, grass and carefully guarded discarded Jap cigarette butts.

Many swapped clothing and other personal items with Koreans and Formosans who collaborated with the Japanese in selling them at exorbitant prices.

EXCEPTIONS

The Americans said, Captain Wadda, the camp commandant, was too busy enjoying Hong Kong comforts to worry about the welfare of his charges, but they said there were exceptions to the inhuman treatment. They said one officer in particular was seemingly disgusted with his countrymen's tactics and often brought medicine and food to the sick and emaciated comfort items to others.

They said that in 1942, when a diphtheria epidemic swept the camp, the Japanese refused to allow use of their ample stocks of serum until the disease threatened Japanese troops. Associated Press.

AMERICAN
TRIBUTE
TO INDIANS

NEW DELHI, SEPT. 27. A GLOWING TRIBUTE TO THE INDIAN PIONEERS CORPS FOR ITS "OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS" WAS PAID WEDNESDAY BY LIEUT. GEN. RAYMOND A. WHEELER, COMMANDING GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES FORCES IN INDIAN BURMA THEATRE, ON THE EVE OF HIS DEPARTURE FROM SOUTHEAST ASIA.

In a letter to the India commander-in-chief, Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck, Wheeler said the Pioneer companies laboured beside American troops on the Stilwell road construction, and without their splendid cooperation much of the work could not have been undertaken.

Sir Claude, in his reply, expressed gratitude and said: "Your praise will be all the more appreciated as the Pioneer corps in a wartime creation," which made a fine reputation in many war theatres, but seldom allowed its men to receive rewards for their gallantry. Associated Press.

VICTORY
VETERANS

New York, Sept. 27. Six war veterans from foreign countries, who will attend a United Nations victory conference in Chicago on November 1, were received officially by Mayor LaGuardia here on Wednesday.

The Mayor said the conference would do much to cement friendly relations. The conference is sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The veterans are from Britain, Australia, Norway, Denmark and Holland. The British representative is Commander Robert Allen; Australia's is Major William Watson. Associated Press.

To Several Correspondents: Investigation of minor and individual war crimes is outside our province. There is an organization for this purpose. Correspondents must provide their correct names and addresses, as a token of good faith and not necessarily for publication.

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LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICE

S.S. "HIGHLAND MONARCH" is expected to sail for the UNITED KINGDOM sometime during the first week of OCTOBER with sufficient accommodation for all asking early repatriation. Newspapers should be watched for notices of those required to stand by.

REPATRIATION OFFICER,
1st Floor, Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Bldg.
(Tel. No. 39642).

September 27th, 1945.

REPATRIATION

IMPORTANT
ANNOUNCEMENT

The last immediately available evacuation ship is expected to leave the Colony about 3rd October. With the departure of this ship the evacuation of Hong Kong internees and prisoners-of-war is expected to be complete and no further ships have been made available.

Thereafter Hong Kong will operate as a processing base for British prisoners-of-war and internees from China and plans are in hand to bring them to the Colony in substantial numbers for this purpose. They will enjoy priority for repatriation. I accordingly most earnestly request all prisoners-of-war and internees now in the Colony who qualify for repatriation not to delay their departure except for the most compelling reasons. In view of the present shipping situation I feel it my duty to warn all concerned that if they miss repatriation by this ship they may have to remain indefinitely in the Colony and run the risk of forfeiting the privilege of free passage home which expires at the end of this year.

Signed (Cool Harcourt),
Commander-in-Chief,
Hong Kong.

September 28th, 1945.

BRITISH MILITARY
ADMINISTRATION
HONGKONG

WAR DAMAGE

Facilities for registering Claims for War Damage will be provided as soon as staff is available for the purpose and appropriate forms will be prescribed. In the meantime, it will be appreciated if members of the public will defer the submission of Claims until they are informed that facilities exist.

Dated the 26th day of September, 1945.

W. M. Thomson,
Col. C. A.,
Deputy C. C. A. O.
Hong Kong, 26th, September, 1945.

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NOTICE

HEADQUARTERS, BRITISH
MILITARY ADMINISTRATION

Will any person having any knowledge of the circumstances under which Captain Jewell and six others were killed at Aberdeen in a tug in December 1941 please communicate with Major J. C. Riddell, China Command H.Q.

Information is particularly required as to the date of death and the place of burial.

J. C. RIDDELL,

MAJOR, D.A.A.G.,
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Acheson Snubs Spain

WASHINGTON, SEPT. 27.—THE UNITED STATES ACTING SECRETARY OF STATE, MR. DEAN ACHESON, SAID YESTERDAY THAT NO ONE COULD EXPECT ANY SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT TO BE WORKED OUT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES AND GENERAL FRANCO'S SPAIN.

Mr. Acheson, who made this statement at a press conference, also released the text of a letter which the late President Roosevelt gave to the American Ambassador to Spain, Mr. Norman Armour, last March.

The letter said "having been helped to power by Fascist Italy and Nazi Germany, and having patterned itself along totalitarian lines, the present regime in Spain is naturally subject to distrust by a great many American citizens who find it difficult to see justification for this country to continue to maintain relations with such a regime. Most certainly we do not forget Spain's official position with and assistance to our Axis enemies at the time when the fortunes of war were less favourable to us, nor can we disregard the activities, aims, organisations and public utterances of the Falange, both in the past and at present.

These rumours cannot be wiped out by actions more favourable to us now that we are about to achieve our goal of complete victory over those enemies of ours with whom the present Spanish regime had identified itself in the past both spiritually and by its public expressions and acts." — Reuter.

EMBASSY HURT

London, Sept. 26.—The Spanish Embassy to-day issued a statement saying that in view of "unjustified agitation created apparently for political reasons by certain sections in Britain and America about the alleged sentence of death passed on Santiago Alvarez and Sebastian Zapirain"—two Spanish Republicans who have been arrested—the Spanish Foreign Ministry has instructed it to declare "that neither man will be tried until all the evidence has been collected and they have been indicted under regular legal procedure.

The statement added that these men arrived in Spain "with a revolutionary purpose."

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent says British official action has been limited to an issue of instruction to Sir Victor Maitot, British Ambassador in Spain, to make informal representation on behalf of the two men. But there is a general desire in this country to see an end of political trials and executions in Spain. — Reuter.

TOO LATE

A flying squad of the R.A.F. Regiment called out, on a report of looting, to a house in Austin Avenue, Kowloon, yesterday morning, found the place stripped not only of all doors, windows and floorboards, but even the staircase leading to the floor above had completely disappeared.

Japanese Looting Of Chinese Art

CHUNGKING, SEPT. 27. A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AMERICAN MISSION FOR PROTECTION AND SALVAGE OF ARTISTIC AND HISTORICAL MONUMENTS IN WAR AREAS HAS ARRIVED HERE TO WORK WITH THE CHINESE COMMISSION FOR THE PROTECTION AND SALVAGE OF CULTURAL OBJECTS.

BEFORE THE OUTBREAK OF THE SINO-JAPANESE WAR IN 1937, MOST ANTIQUES PRESERVED IN THE IMPERIAL PALACE IN PEIPING WERE MOVED INTO THE HINTERLAND, BUT MANY RARE PIECES OF ART WHICH HAD PRESERVED MANY GENERATIONS, FELL INTO ENEMY HANDS.

The commission is planning to tackle its job systematically, and some experts already have left Chungking for their tasks. The Japanese long had had their eye on Chinese art pieces and they shipped some to Japan. In 1932, when the Japanese attacked Shanghai, the first eastern pass in the Great Wall, they took down from the gate the historical horizontal calligraphic tablet bearing five characters meaning "first pass in the world."

It was written by the famed Ming dynasty premier, Yan Sung, about 500 years ago. After shipping it to Japan, the enemy replaced it with a counterfeit piece.

Another stolen treasure was the seven sets of "Four Treasures" of the Chinese calligraphy.

BRITISH AID TO INDIA

London, Sept. 27. Many prominent Indian industrialists have approached the British Institute of Production Engineers to obtain expert advice on overhaul and organisation of their plants and as a result J. D. Sciffe, one of the members of the Council and past President of the Institute will leave for India this week-end.

Sciffe, who has specialised in the manufacture of small tools and equipment is going to India for a few months to give what assistance he can to help the new drive for the expansion and development of the Indian engineering industry especially in the production of accurate mechanism. — Reuter.

AUSSIE CRICKET XI

LONDON, SEPT. 27. THE AUSTRALIAN SERVICES CRICKET TEAM WHICH HAS BEEN PLAYING IN ENGLAND EXPECTS TO ARRIVE IN INDIA ON OCTOBER 24, AND THEY HOPE TO PLAY AS MANY GAMES AS POSSIBLE BEFORE THEIR DEPARTURE FOR AUSTRALIA.

The team will be kept together in Australia which they may reach by mid-December, so that they can meet every State. Three Tests will be played. The players will be: A. L. Hassett, K. S. Whittington, A. Peppercorn, C. F. T. Price, D. K. Cresswell, K. R. Miller, S. G. Simey, D. R. Cristofani, Ellis, Stanford, J. Pettiford, A. W. Roper, E. A. Williams, C. Bremner, J. J. Workman.

Two fast bowlers, A. Cheetham, and R. G. Williams, have already returned to Australia. — Reuter.

AUSTRIA WANTS ACTION

Vienna, Sept. 27. The Austrian conference of provinces yesterday adopted a resolution asking the Allies for immediate recognition of the Renner Government.

The resolution also asked for the withdrawal of all the occupation troops and acceptance of Austria as one of the United Nations. — Reuter.

MOVING H. Q.

Colombo, Sept. 27. The headquarters of the Royal Netherlands Navy which was established here in March 1942 after the fall of the Dutch East Indies is being moved back to Batavia.

Admiral Helfrich, commander-in-chief of the Netherlands forces in the east, in a farewell message yesterday thanked the people of Ceylon for the hospitality during the three-and-a-half years of their stay there. Admiral Helfrich left Colombo by the Dutch ship, Plam-cluit, en route for Java. — Reuter.

London, Sept. 27. The Freedom of Aldershot was today conferred on the entire Canadian Army at a unique ceremony at which 10,000 Canadian troops were present, on the Aldershot F.C.'s ground. Afterwards, the Canadian marched through the streets with fixed bayonets in a stirring Victory Parade. — Reuter.

Representatives of the dock hands have also adopted a resolution protesting against the use of Japanese armed forces by the British authorities against the Nationalist Government in Java.

In Brisbane, the striking seamen have moved into the Trade Union hall with all their belongings, and a Sydney newspaper yesterday quoted the Indonesian spokesman as saying, "Having fought against the Japanese, the reward for Indonesians should be the right to establish a democratic government—in accordance with the Atlantic Charter. The Dutch army is going to the Indies to restore by force the autocratic and anti-democratic Dutch rule."

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The radio pointed out that Dutch ships and aeroplanes had recently been used exclusively for the repatriation of Australian prisoners of war from Singapore, while sick Dutchmen and Indonesians had to remain behind.

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TURMOIL OF THE FAR EAST

Australian Stand On Indonesian Independence Issue

RIOTING GOING ON IN BANGKOK

LONDON, SEPT. 27. TENSION IN AUSTRALIA, CAUSED BY A LARGE SCALE DOCK STRIKE IN SUPPORT OF THE JAVANESE NATIONALIST MOVEMENT, SHOWED NO SIGNS OF ABATING YESTERDAY, WHILE RELATIONS BETWEEN CHINESE AND SIAMESE IN BANGKOK, WHERE INTERMITTENT RIOTING HAS BEEN TAKING PLACE SINCE LAST FRIDAY, ARE STILL STRAINED.

IN JAPAN, HOWEVER, ALLIED OCCUPATION CONTINUES SMOOTHLY AND JACK SMYTH, REUTER'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT IN TOKYO, REPORTED YESTERDAY THE EMPEROR'S INTENTION TO TAKE THE UNPRECEDENTED STEP OF CALLING ON THE SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER, GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR.

Reuter's correspondent states that it is suggested that the Emperor decided to pay the call to impress upon the Japanese people once and for all with his complete sincerity in accepting the Potsdam terms of unconditional surrender.

On the other hand Japanese sources suggest that the visit may have something to do with the persistent rumours that the Emperor is preparing to abdicate.

FOOD SHORTAGES

General MacArthur yesterday took steps to ease the serious internal situation in Japan by ordering the Japanese army and navy to turn over their stocks of food and clothing to impoverished civilians. In addition, all Japanese service weapons are to be commandeered.

A further stage in the Allied occupation of Japan took place yesterday when United States troops, according to the Singapore radio, landed at Aomori, in northern Honshu. The troops went ashore with fixed bayonets and were covered by fighter aircraft and guns of warships, but there were no incidents and the designated area was completely occupied in three hours.

Recent edicts by General MacArthur, aiming at the re-education of the Japanese, by permitting the entry of foreign news, was followed yesterday by the announcement that the Japanese subsidised propaganda agency, Domei, will be dissolved and that a new agency, to be known as the Press Association of Japan will take its place.

DOMEI'S POSITION

The president of the Domei agency, Insuke Furuno, who together with four other directors will resign, said yesterday that the decision was taken because British and American news agencies were apparently reluctant to exchange news on a pre-war basis owing to Domei's war-time propaganda activities. Furuno and his associates will have no connection with the new association.

Reverting to the situation in Australia, Reuter says that the strike situation reached a climax yesterday when trade union leaders placed a total ban on Dutch ships loading for the East Indies. Only hospital ships have been exempted.

AUSTRALIAN PROTEST

A report from Sydney states that the ban covers the loading and repair of all ships carrying munitions or war materials likely to be used for the Indonesian Republic Government.

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MODERNISING CHINA'S ARMY

Washington, Sept. 27.—Lieut-General Wedemeyer arrived in Washington to-day from his China command and stated the United States is considering continuance of the current programme for training and equipping Chinese Government troops. He was welcomed by the wife of General Chennault, former air commander in China, and by Wei Tuo-ming, Chinese ambassador to the United States. — Associated Press.

Just Too Cruel

PENANG, SEPT. 27. MANIGAM SARAVANMUTU, FORMER CAYLON JOURNALIST, AND NOW EDITOR OF THE "STRAITS ECHO" DESCRIBED AS "CRUEL LABEL" THE REPORTS THAT AFTER THE BRITISH EVACUATION OF PENANG HE TURNED TRAITOR AND BECAME HIGH COMMISSIONER OF PENANG UNDER JAPANESE OCCUPATION.

All he had done, he said, was to occupy the chairmanship of the Penang Service Committee and as such he radioed the Japanese to stop shelling the town as all British troops had left, and then handed over the town to the Japanese on their arrival later the same afternoon.

He said the Japanese wanted to set him up as the puppet king of Ceylon when they were planning the invasion of the island in December 1942. They were determined to do so in spite of his protests, he said.

"I am glad that the project fell through owing to the Solomon campaign and I was saved a painful experience," he added.

Saravannmutu said he was imprisoned by the Japanese for nine months but when he fell ill he was released. — Reuter.

SELASSIE WAKES UP

Addis Ababa, Sept. 27.—Emperor Haile Selassie's demand for the return to Abyssinia of the Italian colony of Eritrea on the Red Sea Coast was supported at a meeting of Eritreans living here, after which those taking part marched to the Legations of the Big Five Powers (Britain, the United States, France, Russia and China) to press the demand "on behalf of half-a-million inhabitants of Eritrea." — Reuter.

The demonstrators called on a Lascar crew, which was brought from Sydney, not to sail the ship, and the Lascars finally walked off. Chinese seamen here have been instructed not to man the ship and the India Congress Party cabled an expression of sympathy.

Meanwhile, the Netherlands Consul issued a statement branding as "a bare-faced lie" the allegation that Dutch ships were carrying arms from Australian ports. — Associated Press.

Reuter's correspondent in Cairo, HAIG NICHOLSON, CABLED TO-DAY THAT THE POSITION WAS OBVIOUSLY GROWING INCREASINGLY UNSETTLED ACROSS THE SUEZ CANAL, WITH THE RECENT FORMULATION OF THE NEW DEMANDS TO ACHIEVE EGYPTIAN ASPIRATIONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AND NO SIGNS OF ANY FINAL SETTLEMENT IN THE LEVANT.

Azzam Bey's mission, which includes visits to Washington, is regarded as most important. The Bey is fully informed of the Arab attitude which he will convey to the British and United States Governments, at the same time sounding official and unofficial British and American quarters of the two Powers towards Middle East problems.

In London, official British reaction to the recent resolution demanding the withdrawal of British troops from Egypt and the reconstitution of the Anglo-Egyptian treaty into "an equal alliance which was passed by the Egyptian elder statesmen continues to be reserved.

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EXECUTION OF THREE AIRMEN

WASHINGTON, SEPT. 27. THE WAR DEPARTMENT CONFIRMED OFFICIALLY TO-DAY THAT THREE AMERICAN AIRMEN WHO PARTICIPATED IN 1942 IN THE DOOLITTLE RAID ON JAPAN WERE EXECUTED BY THE JAPANESE.

It was the first official clarification since President Roosevelt announced in 1943 that "some" of the raiders had been executed. The war department, on the basis of reports from China, identified the three as: Lieut. William Farrow, Lieut. Dean Hallmark and Staff Sgt. Harold Spantz.

The executions occurred at Kiangwan, China, on October 15, 1942, six months after the Doolittle raid. The bodies were cremated and turned over to the International Red Cross.

The Japanese accused the airmen of strafing school children. — Associated Press.

30-MINUTE TRIAL

A report from Shanghai said a captured Japanese document disclosed that the American fliers had a 30-minute "trial"—all in Japanese. Eight were sentenced to death but five were reprieved "by the gracious consent of the emperor." The three were shot at a former Chinese air force headquarters.

Members of the court are sought as war criminals. — Associated Press.

CAIRO CENTRE CLOSING

London, Sept. 27. A joint United States and United Kingdom statement said yesterday that the Anglo-American Middle East supply centre which has been the agency of the British and United States Governments in dealing with Middle East supplies will be dissolved on November 1.

Ernest Bevin, British Foreign Minister, announces that arrangements will be made for a British supply mission to the Middle East (British Office) in Cairo which will be reorganized to discharge certain functions of the former British Minister Resident.

Mr. Bevin, in an accompanying statement, says: "For some little time to come during the transition period there will be elements of wartime work for which temporary provision of a centre must be made. This is particularly the case in regard to the supply of scarce foods so long as the question of more foodstuffs remains critical." — Reuter.

CHINA'S AIR FUTURE

Chungking, Sept. 27. China's post-war programme for development of air power is based on considerations of "national defence and international cooperation for the maintenance of world peace and civilian aviation," said P. H. Chang at a press conference.

Hopes of achieving the objective through an American training programme now shaping up under Brig. General Randall, who may return from the United States to direct possibly 1,000 American airmen and technicians in training the Chinese.

Chang said he was informed there already had been some American-Chinese negotiating over the possible transfer of American combat planes in this theatre to China, but "so far no definite conclusions have been reached." — Associated Press.

BARBEY ON THE WAY

Manila, Sept. 27. Vice Admiral Daniel Barbey's flagship was reported to-day in the China Sea en route to China with 1,000 marines to assist the Chinese in disarming the Japanese.

Barbey is the admiral who has probably directed more amphibious assault landings than any other commander in history. An commander of the American Seventh Amphibious Force, he directed 57 landings on Japanese-held shores in the Southwest Pacific and the Philippines. His destination, this time, was not announced. — Associated Press.

N.Y. MARKETS

New York, Sept. 27. Cotton futures declined Wednesday on small scale liquidation which encountered reduced trade buying. The stock market was lower and quiet. Steel, rails and aircraft declined fractions to more than a point.

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All Part Of The Show

HONG KONG BOYS WORKING ON THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIR FORCE BASE AT LAU WAN PING WATCHED B25 BOMBERS AND P51 FIGHTERS TAKE OFF TO BOMB HONG KONG!

All had families and relatives still here, but it was war. People coming through into the interior from Hong Kong brought news of earlier bomb damage and casualties, but the job had to go on.

In March this year thirty P-51 fighters of the 76th Fighter Squadron took off from Lau Wan Ping in Kweichow province to join a larger group of the 118th Fighter Squadron, Hong Kong bound.

The total force numbered more than 100 planes and the Taijiao and Causeway Bay areas came in for a terrific hammering in an attempt, that proved successful, to destroy the Japanese South China army's last fuel reserves.

Naval fighters from a United States task force were active over Hong Kong the same day in an attack on a Japanese convoy that was sheltering in Hong Kong harbour.

It was one of the biggest air raids over Hong Kong and involved more than 300 aircraft.

Hong Kong boys on the staff at Lau Wan Ping were Lee Tui-hin, of the Lai Kee Contractors, A. V. Kolatchoff, of the Hong Kong Engineering and Construction Company, Ng Ying, of the Royal Naval Dockyard, and Felix Szeto.

Navy Has Answers

BEYOND A PROMISE THAT, ALL BEING WELL, ELECTRIC CURRENT WOULD BE RESTORED ON THE ISLAND NEXT WEEK, IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE YESTERDAY TO SECURE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE RESTORATION OF ELECTRICITY.

Some 2,000 tons of coal has been received and, on the restricted scale contemplated, this should last three weeks. Asked what would happen if no further supplies arrived before this consignment was used, our informant referred us to Navy, "who have all the answers."

Personnel of H.M.S. "Resource" are lending valuable aid to the Power Station staff, doing repair work.

It is anticipated all areas of the island will be given electricity when the present repairs have been effected.

MR. D. J. SLOSS, WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF PRESS RELEASES, ACCOMPANIED BY HIS SON JOHN, LEFT FOR ENGLAND BY PLANE ON WEDNESDAY MORNING. OTHERS TRAVELLING BY THE SAME PLANE WERE MISS DAY SAGE AND MR. P. H. SUCKLING.

Mr. S. V. Baxter, of Hong Kong University, was to have relieved Mr. Sloss but he has now also gone on leave. Mrs. Davis, lone survivor of this department, is now in the process of handing over to Public Relations officers preparatory to going home by a.s. Orontes.

Lieut-Comdr. A. Pollock, formerly general manager of The Advertising and Publicity Bureau Ltd., is now Press Liaison officer and is to be found at Room 408, Gloucester Hotel.

RADIO

FRIDAY, 28th SEPTEMBER, 1945.

ZBW HONGKONG Broadcasting on Frequencies of 690 Kilocycles and from 12.30—1.30 p.m., 6.30—1.30 p.m. and 9.00—1.30 p.m. on 9.47 Megacycles.

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12.30 p.m.—Two Mozart Songs.

1.00 p.m.—News & Announcements.

1.10 p.m.—Dance Music.

1.30 p.m.—Musical Comedy.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.30 p.m.—Mendelssohn—Trio in D Minor.

7.00 p.m.—News & Announcements.

7.10 p.m.—Orchestra Raymond.

7.30 p.m.—Verdi—"Aida" Act II.

7.40 p.m.—Flauto Solos by Eileen Joyce.

8.30 p.m.—Light Orchestral Selections.

9.00 p.m.—News & Announcements.

9.10 p.m.—STUDIO—GANG BEOW by Douglas Robinson, Joe Black, Earl Mancini, Dick Carlton, Jim Stirling, Tom Davenport, Sandy Adams, Jackie Wilson, Sydney Levington and Harold Homes, R. A. P.

10.00 p.m.—LONDON Relay—News & Highlights from the Program.

10.10 p.m.—Dance Music.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.